

## SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### Minutes

**Thursday November 19, 2009**

**Present:** Kathi Liberman, Joe Mehan, Claire Mehan, Jane-Helen Ross, Donna Mattison, Christine Taylor, Gerry Seklecki, Nancy Stilwell (ex-officio)

The meeting was called to order at 3:09 PM.

**Minutes:** A motion to accept the October, 2009 minutes was made by Jane Helen Ross and seconded by Gerry Seklecki. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

**Old Business:** Spring educational event. Donna contacted Chuck Oakes who has a multi-media presentation that might be appropriate for the event. It lasts 40 minutes and could be followed by a panel discussion and/or vendors who could display relevant items and services. There was discussion regarding the format of the event and it was decided that the sub-committee will explore this further and bring it back to the main committee in January. Kathi Liberman had contacted another potential speaker from UCONN but has not received a reply at this time.

**New Business:**

- Council – no report
- Housing - Kathi Liberman reported that they are planning several holiday events and busy with clients who have problems meeting energy and utility bills. Clergy – no report. However, Norann Wamester may be able to attend in the future or find someone else to serve in that capacity.
- Clergy – no report
- AARP – Jane Helen reported that AARP is doing better and is getting more members, more dollars and recently held a successful raffle.
- Elderly Services – Christine Taylor reported that Operation Fuel will operate from 1/4/10 – 5/1/10. Also, there are changes in CONNPACE with fees going from \$30 to \$45. Sign up for CONNPACE will be Nov 15 through Dec 31<sup>st</sup>. The property tax relief program will be available through the assessor's office from 2/1/10 – 5/15/10.
- WACPD – Chris Taylor reported that he Thanksgiving dinner was well attended and successful. There is a group of students from Wethersfield High School who are working to make equipment adaptable for use by people with disabilities.
- Senior Club – Joe Mehan reported that the Club collected items to be sent to our troops overseas. The packages have been mailed. The Set Back group has a luncheon scheduled for Dec 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Senior Center – Donna Mattison reported that the most recent newsletter is ready for distribution. 13 people participated in a recent craft project to make holiday wreaths. The next project will be center pieces.
- Social Services – Nancy Stilwell reported that ITN continues to expand and that the Central region may join a consortium with other ITN areas to be the first in a new model being developed by ITN in Portland, ME. This would entail a central office and avoid duplication of many administrative functions. She also reported on food drives in anticipation of the holidays.

**NOTE: There will be no meeting in December. The next meeting will be January 21, 2010.**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 PM

Respectfully submitted:

Nancy Stilwell, Ph.D.